## Encore Mega Colorspun Striped Hat



SIZE: Adult

**MATERIALS:** 1- 100g ball of Encore Mega Colorspun color 7155 (browns), 1 -100g ball of

Encore Mega color 460- gold;

**NEEDLES:** 16" circular needle size US 15, set of double pointed needles size US 13 or 15, and 1 stitch marker.

**GAUGE:** 2 sts = 1" over st st.

## K2-p2 ribbing:

Rd 1: \*(K2, p2); repeat from \* around. Repeat round 1 for ribbing.

## HAT

With solid color Mega (gold), cast on 40 sts. Place marker and join into the round, taking care not to twist.

Purl 1 round.

Change to Mega Colorspun color and work in k2-p2 ribbing for 6 rounds.

Change back to solid color Mega (gold). Knit 1 round. Purl 1 round.

Change back to Mega Colorspun color.

Work in st st until total length is 6.5", ending at the marker.

Begin decreasing on the next round as follows, changing to double pointed needles when needed: Round 1: \* (Knit 6, k2tog): repeat from \* around.

Round 2: \* (Knit 5, k2tog); repeat from \* around.

Round 3: \* (Knit 4, k2tog); repeat from \* around.

Round 4: \* (Knit 3, k2tog); repeat from \* around.

Round 5: \* (Knit 2, k2tog); repeat from \* around.

Round 6: \* (Knit 1, k2tog); repeat from \* around.

Round 7: \*(K2tog); repeat from \* around.

Cut the yarn leaving a 12" tail, thread it through the remaining stitches, draw up tightly and secure. Weave in the ends.

**Pompon:** Wrap yarn (solid color used) around a 3" piece of cardboard about 25 times. Tie a long strand around the loops and pull tight. Cut the loops at the opposite end from the tie. Shake to fluff up. Using the long tie strands anchor the pompon at the top of the hat. Trim the pompon to desired length.

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